

## STOLE A BIG SUM

Crooked Methods of Clerks in  
a New York Bank.

## IT WAS ROBBED BY THE BOYS

They Conspire to Rob Their Employers  
of \$68,000—One, on Arrest, Gives  
Up the Plunder.

New York, April 7.—A systematic robbery of the banking house of Dix & Phyle, 45 Wall street, by employees was unearthed Wednesday. The loss by the peculations aggregates \$68,000. Oscar Creamer, a clerk in the bank and a resident of Brooklyn, during the absence of the chief bookkeeper is said to have stolen \$30,000 worth of Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad bonds.

**Young Conspirators.**  
Detectives have discovered that Creamer, who is but 19 years of age, conspired with William E. Carpenter and another young clerk in the bank to rob the firm. James T. White, a third of the conspirators, was introduced at the Park national bank by a false letter of introduction purporting to come from Dix & Phyle, and he opened an account there, beginning with a deposit of \$2,000 on March 5. Subsequently he deposited at different times \$14,500, \$9,850, \$567.81 and \$75. These deposits were mainly in checks purporting to be from Dix & Phyle, drawn payable to cash and with the firm signature of Dix & Phyle forged. April 1 White drew a check for \$10,000 against his account and two days later another check for \$15,000, leaving a balance in the bank of about \$4,000.

**Under Arrest.**  
Carpenter was arrested and confessed that Creamer had been stealing from the firm. The regular bookkeeper was expected home shortly and he said that Creamer wanted to get hold of as much money as he could before that time. It was arranged between them that Carpenter should have the custody of the money. He told Inspector Byrnes that it was all buried in a cellar at 447 Quincy street, Brooklyn.

**Found the Plunder.**  
The detectives went to the address and found hidden in a pile of ashes in the cellar the following securities: \$21,000 first mortgage bonds of the C. B. & Q. and \$3,100 in bills. They are now in charge of the police. White and Creamer are supposed to be on board the tramp steamer Oakland, which until last Saturday lay at the Atlantic docks, Brooklyn. Her destination is Copenhagen. An effort will be made to intercept her at some seaport and arrest the two fugitives.

## IN THE SENATE.

**Senator Wolcott Criticizes the President's Attitude on the Silver Question.**

WASHINGTON, April 7.—The sensation of the day in the senate was the arraignment of the administration by Senator Wolcott. The offense for which he cited the president was the alleged exertion of the influence of the administration to prevent legislation for the free coinage of silver. The senator reviewed the silver question in detail, and concluded by the prediction that the people would surely speak, and free coinage would be the final verdict.

**Senator Morgan (Ala.)** formally offered the amendment to his resolution—which he had presented yesterday—and then the resolutions went over without action, retaining their place on the calendar.

The Indian appropriation bill was then taken up, the question being on Senator Dawes' (Mass.) motion to strike out the provision for the assignment of army officers to the post of Indian agents as vacancies occur. The motion was defeated—yeas, 25; nays, 28.

Senator Pettigrew (S. D.) offered an amendment appropriating \$187,039 for compensating the Indians of the Crow Creek reservation for loss in their receiving less land per capita in their diminished reservation than was received by the Indians occupying other diminished reservations. Agreed to.

Senator Pettigrew also offered an amendment authorizing the secretary of the interior to expend not over \$50,000 in the construction of two Indian industrial schools—one near Chamberlain, S. D., and the other near Rapid City, S. D. Agreed to. The senate then adjourned.

## Oregon Republicans.

PORTLAND, Ore., April 7.—The republicans of Oregon held their state convention Wednesday. The platform opposes the immigration of Chinese laborers to the United States; congratulates the country upon the prosperity that has marked the administration of President Harrison; denounces free trade and favors reciprocity. Congressman Binger Hermann was nominated to succeed himself in the first congressional district.

## Triple Tragedy in Kentucky.

ROCKFORD, Ky., April 7.—Last Monday, at Omans quarry, Bud Price, a white man, killed Bud Malone (colored), in a quarrel. J. R. C. France, a Cincinnati deputized by the sheriff, went Tuesday to arrest Price at his home. Price and his brother-in-law, Tom Proctor, attacked France with pocketknives, and he shot both assailants dead.

## Because She Said No.

HANDBURG, O., April 7.—Daniel McDaniels, a widower, 49 years old, proposed to Minnie Hayes, aged 18, and she refused him. He exclaimed: "Die, then!" and struck her with a hatchet, crushing her skull so that her recovery is impossible. He next cut his own throat with a razor. He is in jail at Ironton with a chance for recovery.

## Fatal Fire in Germany.

BERLIN, April 7.—Ten houses in the Wardenow district of Thuringia were burned Tuesday night. The flames spread so quickly that two inmates of the dwellings were unable to escape and perished, while fourteen others were severely burned before being rescued.

## Conference of the Mormon Church.

INDEPENDENCE, Mo., April 7.—The world's conference of the Mormon church, known as the Reorganized church, convened here Wednesday. Over 600 delegates from various missions, both foreign and domestic, are present. The deliberations of the assembly are presided over by Prophet Joseph Smith, who is the head of the

church. Matters of importance to Mormon church rule will be discussed and the apportionment of missionaries to foreign lands will be made. The conference will continue for ten days.

## DEEPLY GRATEFUL.

Minister Struve Declares American Generosity to Russia's Needy Is Fully Appreciated by the Czar and His Subjects.

WASHINGTON, April 7.—If anyone has thought for a moment that the Russian government and the subjects themselves do not appreciate the contributions of food and cash which are being sent to the starving peasants of the czar's country by our citizens he would quickly change his mind if he heard Minister Struve express himself for the country he represents. Minister Struve said that the Russian people and the Russian government would ever hold the people of the United States and this government in grateful remembrance for the magnificent manner in which they had come to the front in this distressful moment for the peasants who were suffering from a loss of crops; that the Russian government had already contributed \$10,000,000 for the alleviation of her peasants, and that the charity directed by our people toward them was being cared for personally by the czar and czarina. He said the suffering had not been half described to this country, and that our contributions were never more advantageously made.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 7.—Charles Emery Smith, the United States minister, had an audience Wednesday with the czar at Catchesina, preparatory to his departure for the United States. His majesty spoke appreciatively and warmly of the offerings sent from America for the relief of the famine sufferers, and asked Mr. Smith to convey his thanks to the American people.

## A BROTHER'S TRIBUTE.

Sherman, the Warrior, Eulogized by Sherman, the Statesman.

New York, April 7.—Over 400 members of the New York commandery of the Loyal Legion were at Delmonico's Wednesday night, where they listened to an eloquent address by Senator John Sherman of Ohio, in commemoration of his brother, the late Gen. William T. Sherman. In the balcony sat Miss Elizabeth Sherman and Tecumseh Sherman, daughter and son of the late chieftain, accompanied by Thomas Ewing and Chief Engineer and Mrs. J. C. Kafer, of the navy. Miss Sherman was dressed in deep black and was affected by her uncle's speech.

Senator Sherman sketched in detail his brother's career. Here are a few of the things he said:

"It seemed to be the fate of Gen. Sherman that when he was clearly in the right, tested by subsequent events, he was deemed to be clearly wrong. His services were rejected when he urged prompt action. He was adjudged insane when his mind was most clear and was deemed false to his trust at the close of the war when he endeavored to carry out the policy and instructions of Abraham Lincoln. He was the most unselfish man I ever knew. He did not seek for high rank, and often expressed doubt of his fitness for high command. He had an extreme horror of debt and taxes. He looked on the heavy tax now in vogue as in the nature of confiscation and in some cases sold his land, rapidly rising in value, because the taxes assessed seemed to him unreasonable. Gen. Sherman always paid the most respectful attention to women in every rank and condition of life—the widow and the orphan, the young and the old. While he was often stern and abrupt to men he was always kind and gentle to women, and he received from them the homage they would pay to a brother."

## HUNDREDS STAND IN LINE.

Kingfisher Land Office Besieged by Anxious Prospective Settlers.

KINGFISHER, I. T., April 7.—The rush to the Cheyenne and Arapahoe reservation, soon to be opened, continues. It is estimated that already 10,000 are strewed around the border waiting for the word. At the Kingfisher land office 167 men are in line, many of whom have been there over a week already and may have to remain there two weeks longer. They sleep in line, and have their meals brought to them. At Enor the crowd is growing too large to be accommodated, and people are charged two dollars per night to sleep on a cot in a shed or vacant storeroom, and twenty-five cents to sleep on the hard floor. Half of the wells in the town have given out and a water famine is threatened.

## Will Be Heard in October.

CHICAGO, April 7.—Members of the national commission of the world's fair assembled in the council chamber at noon Wednesday for their sixth regular session. Protests from various parts of the country against opening the fair on Sunday and the sale of intoxicating liquors on the ground were presented and provoked a long discussion which finally ended by the almost unanimous adoption of a resolution setting aside the second day of the next session in September for the hearing of all who desire to be heard on the Sunday opening question.

## Ratification of the French Treaty.

WASHINGTON, April 7.—It is said at the state department that the commercial agreement recently concluded with France is still subject to the action of the chamber of deputies, and that it will not be proclaimed by the president until it shall have been ratified by the French chamber. It does not require the sanction of the United States senate.

## Death of Eugene T. Canfield.

NEW BRITAIN, Conn., April 7.—Eugene T. Canfield, the millionaire land and mine owner and railroad builder, is dead. He was a member of the national republican convention that nominated Lincoln and was for many years a member of the Illinois state senate. He was also general attorney of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad.

## Death of a Prominent Belgita.

BRUSSELS, April 7.—Count de Merode Westerloo, president of the Belgian senate, died Wednesday afternoon of influenza, aged 58. He exercised great influence in the clerical party, and was the president of Maline's church congress last year. He also bore the title of Prince de Greimbergh by alliance with the old French aristocracy.

## Sued for Over \$1,000,000.

CHICAGO, April 7.—Armstrong & Co. have instituted twenty-one suits to recover \$1,500,000 from various railroads in the country for overcharges under the interstate commerce law.

## An Ex-Lord Mayor in Trouble.

LONDON, April 7.—Sir Henry Isaacs, former lord mayor of London, is among a number of men indicted for conspiracy to defraud the Hazard publishing union, which recently failed for \$30,000.

## OUT IN THE RAIN

A Portion of Mississippi Is  
Under the Water

## LANDS SUBMERGED FOR MILES

The Most Destructive Rainstorm Ever  
Known—Four Colored Families  
Reported Drowned.

WEST POINT, Miss., April 7.—The most destructive storm that has ever visited this section of the state is now prevalent. It is a regular waterspout, extending from Greenwood to the Alabama line, and from Macon to Corinth. Rain has been falling constantly for four days, culminating Tuesday night in a storm that continued throughout the night. The streams have all overflowed their banks, many bridges being swept away. Miles of railroad track have been submerged and much of the roadbeds destroyed. On the Georgia Pacific nearly 4 miles of track is washed away. The Tibbee, Sequatchie and Town creeks are higher than ever known, the water from them covering the country for miles. Many houses were washed away and four colored families are reported drowned. The Tombigbee is above all previous high-water marks, overflowing its banks, the water spreading out over the country for miles on either side, doing great damage. At Aberdeen the river has overflowed its banks for the first time in many years. The water has covered several streets in that city. It is still raining.

## In Missouri.

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., April 7.—Reports just received from Shannon county report a terrific cloudburst Sunday night at Winona. 12 miles from Ozark. A branch of the Gulf railroad is swept away and 15 miles of its branch are gone, not a trace of ties or rails being left. The bottom lands have been left with 2 feet of sand covering them. Many houses and miles of fences are carried off. The water was 6 feet deep in the residu es of Winona. There is no loss of life. The damage will reach into the thousands.

## Boy Convicted of Murder.

DUBUQUE, Ia., April 7.—Bernard Hansen has been sentenced by Judge Lincoln to twenty years in state's prison. Hansen and a boy named Ley waylaid an old man named Lochner, a driver on a suburban street car line, one night last November, jumped onto the platform and attempted to rob him. Lochner pushed Ley off the car and Hansen shot and killed him. Ley's trial was continued to the May term. Hansen was convicted of murder in the second degree after three jurors had stood out eighteen hours for hanging. The boys are only 16 years old.

## Fire at Pullman.

CHICAGO, April 7.—An overturned pan of hot grease sent \$50,000 up in smoke at Pullman just before 4 o'clock a. m. The Market hall building, situated in Market square at the corner of Stevenson and One Hundred and Twelfth street, was burned to the ground, and the janitor, who was asleep when the fire began, was rescued with difficulty by the firemen. The building, a \$60,000 two and one-half story brick and basement, owned by the town of Pullman, is a total loss.

## Have Made a Complete Assignment.

TORONTO, Ont., April 7.—Gall, Anderson & Co., wholesale lumber merchants, who recently arranged a composition with their creditors, find themselves unable to carry out their arrangement, and have now made a complete assignment of their affairs. The liabilities amount to about \$100,000, owed principally in the city and to American firms.

## West to the Bottom.

LONDON, April 7.—The British ship, Erato, Capt. Jones, from Iquique, capsized and sank at Hamburg, at which port she arrived March 12. Everybody who was aboard of the vessel at the time she capsized has been accounted for with the exception of two laborers. Whether they were drowned or not is not known.

## Rev. Love H. Jameson Dead.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 7.—Rev. Love H. Jameson, the most widely known Christian minister in Indiana, and probably in the United States, died at his residence in this city Wednesday night. Mr. Jameson was born in Indiana in 1811, while it was yet a territory. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Tippecanoe club.

## Capt. John M. Eastin Dead.

CHARLESTON, Ill., April 7.—Capt. John M. Eastin, a pioneer of this county, died Wednesday morning, aged 84 years. He was a veteran of the Blackhawk and civil wars, and was the first constable elected in Coles county. He was intimately acquainted with Abraham Lincoln, Dennis Hanks and other noted characters in early days.

## In Memory of "Land Bill" Allen.

COLUMBUS, O., April 7.—The committee which was appointed at a mass meeting to arrange for the funeral of George Wheaton Allen, better known as "Land Bill" Allen, has issued an appeal to the country for funds to erect a monument over the grave of the father of the homestead bill and his wife in Greenlawn.

## Dias Re-elected in Mexico.

CITY OF MEXICO, April 7.—President Dias has been re-elected by a practically unanimous vote.



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The very best dressmakers that can be secured have charge of the workrooms. Possessing all these advantages we are able to guarantee our patrons the best possible service. Orders are now crowding in upon us and all who desire to avail themselves of the unsurpassed facilities we offer, are advised to make early appointments, as the approaching season promises to be an extraordinary busy one. Prices will be found as moderate as such high-class work can possibly be afforded.

THE EXHIBITION OF  
NEW DRESS GOODS  
CONTINUES DAILY.

In Dress Goods we shall show the best values for 25c., 37½c., 48c., 50c., 62½c., 75c., 85c., \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.50 ever displayed in our store, comprising every style in the catalogue.

New Herringbone Cloth at 25 cents,  
New Camel's Hair, all wool, at 37½ cents,  
All Wool Mixed Suitings at 48 cents,  
Diagonal and Striped Suitings, 50 cents.

One of the best assortments of Pretty Suitings  
(by the yard) in the new tints and mixtures from  
75 cents to \$1.50 ever shown on our counters,  
will be among the Opening Attractions.

Notice the west window for styles in new pattern suits, Crepons and Silk warp goods—35 different shades. As a special drive we shall sell this week.

1600 pairs children's fast black ribbed Hose, unbleached fast, double knee, sizes 6½ to 9½ at 22 cents, regular value 35 cents and 50 cents.

2500 pairs ladies' fine fast black Hose, regular value 37½ cents, at 22 cents

## At the Creditors' Sale Counters.

The Vossen stock still draws like a house afire, and would continue so forever if the goods would but hold out.

This week, to close out 2,500 yards of Plain Suitings will be sold at 15c per yard

3,500 Yards mixed Suitings at 24c.

75 Dress Patterns from \$1.50 to \$5.88.

1,000 Yards unbleached 36 inch wide Cotton at 4c.

1,225 Yards unbleached 36 inch wide Cotton at 5c.

3,500 Yards bleached Cotton at 5c.

6,700 Yards bleached Cotton at 5½c.

5,000 Yards Figured Serges, 36 inch, at 10c.

1,000 Yards Figured Alsatian Cords at 15c.

100 Dozen Ladies' Vests, low neck and sleeveless, tape neck & arm, at 12½c.

47 Dozen Childs' Dark Gray mixed Cotton Hose, sell regular at 25 and 35c., we close them at 14c.

54 in. all wool Sackings to close at 35 and 50c.

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